

## PROBATION & COURT SERVICES

The Lake County Probation Services Division provides quality, cost-effective offender supervision and services to the community in addition to offering protection and support to crime victims.

Court-ordered misdemeanor and criminal traffic offenders are supervised on probation, in pre-trial intervention and community monitoring programs as an alternative to incarceration.

The division provides community monitoring programs such as Teen Court, Teen Drug Court and the Work In Lieu of Arrest (WILA). These programs are offered to juvenile offenders between the ages of 10 and 17 who have committed a first offense misdemeanor or third degree felony.

The division promotes accountability and a crime-free lifestyle by requiring offenders to work or attend school, perform community service, pay restitution, attend counseling and remain substance-free.

Once the Teen Court program is successfully completed, the offense is dismissed in Juvenile Court. If the offender does not complete, or rejects the teen jury sentence, their case is returned to the State Attorney's Office for prosecution.



## MISSION STATEMENT

**Mission:** To provide high quality, cost-effective offender supervision and diversion services with the safety of the community as one of its primary responsibilities.



To learn more about the Probation Services Division, call **(352) 742-6565** or visit [www.lakecountyfl.gov/departments/community\\_safety\\_and\\_compliance](http://www.lakecountyfl.gov/departments/community_safety_and_compliance)



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## DIVISION'S PERFORMANCE OVERVIEW FOR 2015-2016

- Supervised more than **3,300** adult offenders for misdemeanor crimes and defrayed the cost of division operations through the collection of supervision and program-related fees from offenders.
- Coordinated the Teen Court and Work In Lieu of Arrest (W-I-L-A) programs for more than **300** juveniles.
- **Funded Teen Court and Teen Drug Court programs** without reliance on the General Fund tax dollars.
- Enforcing the collection of **\$50,000** in restitution, which was disbursed to crime victims to help compensate them for their losses.
- Coordinated the completion of more than **17,700** community service hours through government and non-profit community agencies.
- **Provided Vehicle Immobilization services** for offenders convicted of Driving Under the Influence (DUI) in compliance with Florida laws.
- **Managed multiple mental health jail diversions** and Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grants (JAG).

## PROBATION OFFICERS

The Probation Services Division provides supervision to offenders placed on probation for traffic and misdemeanor offenses, and ensures their compliance with court-ordered sanctions. A probation officer is someone who supervises a person who has been placed under court-ordered supervision in the community.

### OFFICER DUTIES INCLUDE:

- Monitoring law-abiding behavior and compliance with court orders.
- Providing referral and support services to help restore victims of crime in the community.
- Enforcing payment of restitution to crime victims for their losses and monitor community service work performed.
- Overseeing the improvement of offenders by assisting in obtaining needed housing, employment, education and other community resources.
- Administering drug testing and referring offenders to substance abuse, mental health and other necessary treatment services.
- Serving on multi-agency task forces, committees, work groups, and associations addressing public safety, offender re-entry, juvenile justice, community corrections, victims' issues, domestic violence, mental health, substance abuse, sex offenders and criminal justice information systems.



## HOW TO HELP

Report suspicious, criminal activity to local law enforcement.

To report information on the location of a wanted person, call the Lake County Sheriff's Office at 352-343-2101, or contact CRIMELINE at 800-423-TIPS. If a tip that is reported leads to a felony arrest, the person reporting the information will be eligible for a reward of up to \$1,000. To learn more on how to help, visit [www.crimeline.org](http://www.crimeline.org)



### FOR MORE INFORMATION, VISIT:

Lake County Sheriff's Office  
[www.lcso.org](http://www.lcso.org)

Lake County Clerk of Courts  
[www.lakecountyclerk.org](http://www.lakecountyclerk.org)

Florida Department of Law Enforcement  
[www.fdle.state.fl.us](http://www.fdle.state.fl.us)

Florida Association of Community Corrections  
[www.facc-net.org](http://www.facc-net.org)

Florida Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles  
[www.flhsmv.gov](http://www.flhsmv.gov)